CITY OF BUCKEYE COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

May 16, 2018 MINUTES

Community Services Administration Building 110 East Irwin Avenue Buckeye, AZ 85326 6:30 pm

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call

Natalie Abeyta, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

Members Present – Board Members Teresa Bible, Linda Gross, Natalie Abeyta, Garnett Sailor, Stephen Rugh, Sue Mros, Dr. Peace Ezeogba, Matthew Dudley, and Council Liaison Councilperson Michelle Hess.

Staff Present – Community Services Director Cheryl Sedig, Conservation and Project Manager, Robert Wisener, Community Center Manager, Phil Yabes, Recreation Manager, Miranda Gomez, and Management Assistant, Robyn Jacobs.

Visitors Present- Jeff Engelmann, Dean Chambers, and David Hewitt from J-2 Engineering and Design and Steve Riley, City of Buckeye, Construction and Project Manager.

2. Comments from the Public – none

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes for January 17, 2018

Steve Rugh stated a correction needs to be made to the minutes. The minutes do not reflect Natalie Abeyta nominating Matthew Dudley for chair. A motion was made by Board Member Rugh and seconded by Board Member Dudley to approve the minutes with correction. Vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

4. New Business

4a. – Sundance Park Phase II Master Plan

Presentation on Sundance Park Phase II Master Plan given by Robert Wisener and members of J-2, consultants on the project. Wisener gave a PowerPoint presentation detailing the timeline. Dean Chambers reviewed the components of the program and advised the lake was new to the project. Chambers stated the lake will function as part of the irrigation system for both Phase I and II of the park.

The priorities of the project identified by those attending the public meeting and responding to the survey completed last year were discussed. The lake was listed as top priority followed by ramadas and splash pads. Teresa Bible inquired about the lake being stocked. She was advised by the panel that it would be. Linda Gross asked about mosquito control. The Board was informed the water will be circulated and constantly moved and the water will undergo regular testing. Dr. Peace inquired about the depth of the lake. She was advised the greatest depth would be 16-feet. Questions were also asked about the number of parking spaces and overflow parking as well as the cost for the project. Wisener stated the park is projected to cost a total of \$12.5 million and would most likely be built in phases.

Steve Rugh stated he is in favor of the lake and the effect it will have on lowering costs. Rugh also discussed wheelchair, stroller, and universal access on the path to the amphitheater.

Natalie Abeyta discussed the splash pad and how it plays into the irrigation system and to the lake. Discussion held on the slope of the lake. The consultants advised the lake is sloped 10 feet with a 10 foot recovery shelf.

Garnett Sailor inquired about the bike track.

Matthew Dudley asked about the O and M costs on the project. Wisner advised the project is 12.5 million and he will be developing the O and M costs.

Teresa Bible discussed Tempe Town Lake and wanted to know if we could do our lake differently. The consultants advised water in Tempe Town Lake is canal water with no circulation.

Linda Gross inquired as to any impact on fish when the lake is drawn down. Bob Wisener stated there would be no impact.

Discussion was held on when the project would be completed. Councilwoman Hess advised members of the board to e-mail members of council to move the project forward.

4b. Possible Cancellation of July 18, 2018 Community Services Advisory Board Meeting Discussion held on cancellation of July 18, 2018 Community Services Advisory Board meeting. Steve Rugh made a motion to cancel the meeting. Teresa Bible seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Staff Report

Miranda Gomez, Recreation Manager reported to the board she and Cheryl Sedig were going to Lakeland, Florida to complete field research on their airshow. She stated the decision was made to utilize Copper State and hold the airshow over 2 days on February 9th and 10th.

Phil Yabes, Community Center Manager reported the department received \$154 Thousand from the Arizona Lottery Funds to purchase new vehicles. Yabes also advised the Fit and Strong program was recognized by the NRPA as a best practices program.

Robert Wisener, Conservation and Project Manager reported he is working on new trail construction at Skyline Regional Park. Wisener advised the board a grant was received from Arizona Forestry for the purchase of trees which were planted along the walking trails at Earl Edgar and Sundance parks.

Robyn Jacobs, Management Assistant advised the board work is underway on the next issue of Eye on Buckeye which will be published the first part of July. The issue will cover activities during the months of August, September, and October.

Councilwoman Michelle Hess stated she thought there was excellent dialogue regarding drones. Mrs. Hess announced a grant for \$270 Thousand was received by City of Buckeye Engineering for a bicycle and pedestrian master plan. Engineering will be taking the lead on the project.

Cheryl Sedig, Community Services Director thanked the board for all of their hard work and encouraged them to be involved in department activities.

6. Comments from the Chair and Board Members

Board Chair Natalie Abeyta advised in lieu of individual comments from the Board, the Board wished to recognize Community Services Director Cheryl Sedig for her years of work and dedication to the Community Services Department and the City of Buckeye. The Board presented Ms. Sedig with a gift and provided celebratory refreshments for the meeting.

7. **Next Meeting**—September 19, 2018 at 6:30 pm in the Conference Room at the Community Services Administration Building, 110 East Irwin Avenue.

8. Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 pm by Board Member Stephen Rugh, seconded by Board Member Teresa Bible. Motion passed unanimously.

Natalie Abeyta, Chair

ATTEST:

Robyn Jacobs, Management Assistant

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the Community Services Advisory Board meeting held by the Advisory Board on May 16, 2018. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present.

Robyn Jacobs, Management Assistant